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ACCOUNTING EXAMINING BOARD MEETING MINUTES MADISON WI FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2002

PRESENT: Frank Probst, Fred Franklin (by phone), Sharon Hamilton, Roman

Jungers II, Jim Johnson, and Thomas Kilkenny

STAFF PRESENT: Mary Forseth, Bill Dusso, Grace Schwingel, Jan Bobholz, Barb

Showers, and Pam Haack

GUESTS: Arland Stone, WAA

Leroy Schmidt, WICPA

Kim Tredinnick, Virchow Krause & Co.

CALL TO ORDER

Frank Probst, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9: 05 a.m. A quorum of 6 members was present.

AGENDA

MOTION: Sharon Hamilton moved, seconded by Thomas Kilkenny, to

approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES (3/22/2002)

MOTION: Jim Johnson moved, seconded by Sharon Hamilton, to approve the

minutes of 3/22/02 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mary Forseth, Director, Bureau of Business and Design Professions

Mary Forseth introduced herself to the Board and gave them a brief review of her professional background.

Mary Forseth reviewed items that were handed out to Board members and will respond to an e-mail dated May 14, 2002, from Daniel Dustin, Executive Secretary of the New York State Board for Public Accountancy regarding his concerns about the computerization of the uniform CPA examination.

Forseth indicated there should be some significant issues to include in the September Regulatory Digest. This will be a topic for discussion at the August meeting.

Board Roster

Frank Probst has a new e-mail address: frank.probst@mu.ed

• 2002 Meeting Dates

Next meeting date is Friday, August 16, 2002, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 180

• Accounting Act Modernization To-Do List

This "to-do" list was handed out at the meeting and will be an item for discussion on the agenda for the August meeting. Bill Dusso will update this list and send it to all the Board members on a regular basis.

• Summary Reports on Pending Court Cases, Disciplinary Cases and Administrative Rules and Monthly Press Release of Disciplinary Orders

Noted

ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ISSUES

General agreement that there is a need to update the reference to generally accepted accounting practices.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Analysis of Proposed Changes in Wisconsin Independence Rule, William Dusso

Legal Counsel, William Dusso, reviewed the "Requirement for Independence" chart he had prepared for the Board. The board will review the analysis prior to its next meeting and will plan to vote on it then.

Mary Forseth will send Fred Franklin the handout materials.

Hearing on Definition of "Ownership Interest" for Accounting Firms, 10:00 a.m.,

Frank Probst, Chair, read the opening statements into the record. No one attended the hearing. Hearing adjourned.

Discussion Of Rule Draft Relating To Peer Review Requirements, William Dusso

There was a lengthy discussion of peer review requirements.

The Board favored requiring a copy of the peer review report as a condition for firm license renewal. Legal Counsel, Bill Dusso, indicated the Board does not have the authority to require the report as a condition of license renewal. Bill Dusso will research further and this item will be included on the agenda for the August 16th Board meeting.

NASBA

NASBA Testimony on Federal Legislation Related to Enron

Information only - no discussion.

State Board Report

Determined that all professional board members receive this report.

NASBA Committees

Noted - no discussion

Substantial Equivalency Chart

Jan Bobholz explained the "substantially equivalent" chart. The chart is used to determine how other states requirements compare to Wisconsin's requirements. Wisconsin does not have an endorsement agreement with any other states. "Substantially equivalent" means that applicants can practice in Wisconsin temporarily, but does not qualify applicants for automatic licensure.

EXAMINATION/APPLICATION ISSUES

Uniform CPA Exam Honor Roll

Noted - no discussion.

<u>Criteria to Evaluate Equivalency of Public Accounting Experience, Mary Forseth/</u> Paula Monson

An article about the criteria to evaluate equivalency of Public Accounting experience will be included in the Regulatory Digest.

AICPA Score Scale Task Force, Barb Showers

Barb Showers, recently appointed to the AICPA Score Scale Task Force, reported on the goals of the Task Force. The Task force has met and will be publishing recommendations in the near future regarding how scores from the computer-based exam will be reported.

Statutes/Rules Changes Needed for the New Computer Examination, Darwin Tichenor

Darwin reported on rule changes that will be needed to accommodate the new computer exam. We should plan to have the changes in place and effective in about a year. A draft of proposed rule language will be put on the agenda for the August 16th Board meeting.

Policies for Transitioning for Uniform Computer -Based Exam, Darwin Tichenor

Darwin briefly reviewed the policies for transitioning to the computer-based exam.

Exam fees, Darwin Tichenor

Darwin reviewed the exam fees with the Board.

PRACTICE ISSUES

None

BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITY

None

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

<u>Proposed Changes to Accy 1.002 of the Rules of Conduct of the Wisconsin Administrative Code</u>

No discussion - provided for informational purposes.

California Communication/SEC Roundtable

No discussion - provided for informational purposes.

NEW BUSINESS

None

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Sharon Hamilton moved, seconded by Roman Jungers, to convene

to closed session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.; to consider licensure or discipline (s.

19.85(1)(b), Stats.; to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.; and, to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats. Motion carried by a roll call vote: Frank Probst, Fred Franklin, Sharon Hamilton, Roman Jungers II, Jim Johnson

and Thomas Kilkenny. Motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Roman Jungers moved, seconded by Sharon Hamilton, to go to

open session at 12:30 p.m.

VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION, IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE

MOTION: Thomas Kilkenny moved, seconded by Sharon Hamilton, to

approve William Silvers for licensure. Motion carried

unanimously.

MOTION: Roman Jungers moved, seconded by Sharon Hamilton, to approve

the following applicants for licensure and deny the following

applicants licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATIONS REVIEWED ON MAY 17, 2002

The Board took the following action on applications. Applicants applied based on examination, transfer of credit from another state and endorsement of license from another state.

FOR REGISTRATION AS A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

1. Approved – 47

ARORA, ALKA R LINDE, PAUL D BANDEL, JEFFREY S LOCASCIO, GUY J BEAN, TINA M LORGE, KEVIN W BECKETT, DUANE MANTEI, LISA J BECHTEL, MELISSA K MUELLER, MICHAEL B BROSSEAU, RACHEL M MILLER, WENDY J DAMPIER, JOHN J PLAHMER, CHAD H DORNER, THOMAS G PRETTY, ANDREW C EMERSON, NOAH B RATEIKE, MICHAEL R FINK, JASON M RENAUD, JODI FISCHER, REBECCA A RIEMER, LORI A FREIBERG, KAREN L SCHIEK. NORBERT G FRUIT, LARRY G SCHMIERER, DAVID P FRYE, ROBERT J SCHRAMM, CINDY A GAPINSKI, JENNIFER L SCRIBNER, MISTRE L HANSEN, DAVID R STEVENS, JEFFREY G STOCKEL, CHERYL L HARRIS, KENT P TEBON, LAURIE J HOWEN, PATRICIA J JOURDAIN, MICHELLE M THORNTON, ERIC W KALSCHEUER, RENEE T TORPHY, MARK B KLEIN, JASON C TRELOAR, GORDON H LAMBRECHT, DAVID M VALENTINE, SHARON L LEBEAU, HEATHER J WANG, RACHEL A LEFEBER, LEON M

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jim Johnson moved, seconded by Sharon Hamilton, to adjourn the

meeting at 12:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.